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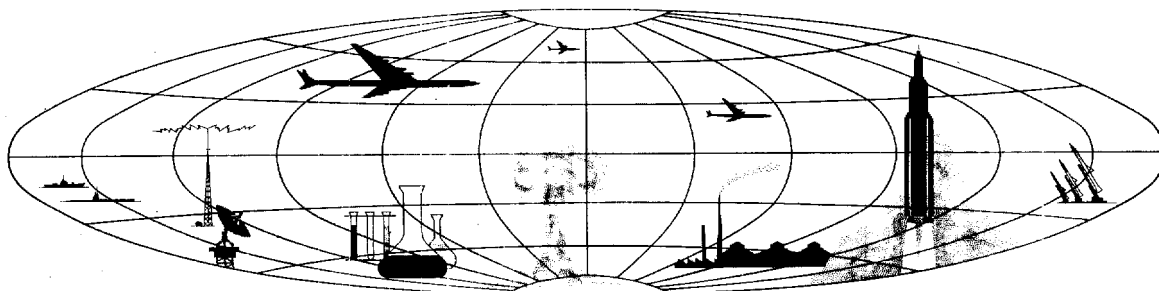


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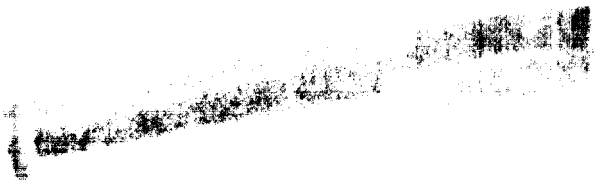
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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3457, DATED 28 FEBRUARY 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

25X1D SITE APPEARS ABANDONED. NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1 2243N 08001W

25X1D NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

25X1D NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

REMEDIOS IRBM SITE 2225N 07935W

25X1D LARGE TENT REMAINS IN FRONT OF ARCHED-ROOF BUILDING.  
NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SAN CRISTOBAL MRBM SITE 4 2246N 08258W

SITE APPEARS ABANDONED. NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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25X1A

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 2257N 08236W

[REDACTED]

25X1D NO ACTIVITY OBSERVED. TWELVE TRUCKS IN SUPPORT AREA.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

25X1D CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES. NO VEHICULAR ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

BARTOLOME, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2226N 07934W

25X1D NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

SALAMANCA, SUSPECT SSM ACTIVITY 2227N 07940W

25X1D NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

[REDACTED]

MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

SITE CONTAINS 6 LAUNCHERS AND 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS.  
GUIDANCE AREA IS UNCOVERED.

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BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE 2257N 08317W

25X1D

AT LEAST 5 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS AND 7  
CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS OBSERVED.  
GUIDANCE REVETMENT IS UNCOVERED.

HAVANA SAM SITE 2309N 08213W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 5  
CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND  
CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

25X1D

AT LEAST 4 OCCUPIED LAUNCH POSITIONS. CLOUDS PRECLUDE  
FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1A

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

25X1D

AREA CONTAINS 28 LOWBOY TRAILERS WITH PRIME MOVERS,  
6 OF WHICH ARE CANVAS COVERED.

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

25X1D

APPROXIMATELY 200 VEHICLES (PRIMARILY TRUCKS) AND 8  
LOWBOY TRAILERS OBSERVED.

25X1A

MANAGUA SAM SITE 2259N 08215W

25X1D

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUING. THREE LAUNCH POSITIONS NOW  
HAVE FOUNDATIONS AND THE FOURTH IS BEING BUILT.

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SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

25X1D

CAMPO FLORIDA CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 8 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
2 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, 7 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES,  
AND 5 VEHICLES.

-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

25X1D AIRCRAFT -- 11 FAGOT/FRESCO, 27 FISHBED, 3  
LIAISON-TYPE, AND ONE HARE.

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

25X1D AIRCRAFT -- 28 FAGOT/FRESCO, 5 FARMER, 3 CRATE,  
10 B-26, 3 T-6, 2 COLT, 6 LIAISON-TYPE, AND 3 C-47.

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

25X1A

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- ONE CLEAT WITH ONE ENGINE REMOVED,  
3 CAB, 2 CRATE, 3 CONSTELLATION, 3 BRITANNIA, ONE  
VISCOUNT, 6 C-46, 3 C-54, ONE LODESTAR, ONE AERO  
COMMANDER, ONE LIGHT TWIN ENGINE, AND ONE LIAISON.  
RUNWAY SERVICEABLE.

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MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

25X1D AIRCRAFT -- NONE.

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

25X1D AIRCRAFT -- 46 HOUND, 2 HARE, AND 2 BELL HELICOPTERS.

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

25X1D AIRCRAFT -- NONE.

-PORTS-

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

25X1D VESSELS -- 12 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 2 PF, AND ONE  
KRONSTADT-CLASS PC.

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

25X1D VESSELS -- TWO LARGE FREIGHTERS OBSERVED. HAZE AND  
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
SEE CAYO FRANCES, UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY.

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SURGIDERO DE BATABANO PORT 2241N 08218W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

25X1D VESSELS -- ONE PASSENGER SHIP (PROBABLY [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], 29 FREIGHTERS [REDACTED] AT BURRUS WHARF),  
25X1D AND 2 TANKERS. CLOUD COVER, OBLIQUITY AND HAZE  
PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

25X1D VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER.

BAHIA HONDA PORT 2255N 08311W

25X1D THE [REDACTED] IS IN PUNTA GOBERNADORA SLIP  
WITH BOOMS ACTIVE AND PROBABLY UNLOADING. FIFTEEN  
PROBABLE TRACTOR-TRAILERS, 13 EMPTY CARGO TRUCKS,  
2 TANK-TRAILERS, AND 14 PROBABLE CARGO TRAILERS ON  
DOCK. ONE TRACTOR-TRAILER ON ROAD DEPARTING PUNTA  
25X1D GOBERNADORA. ONE PC BLOCKING PUNTA GOBERNADORA SLIP.  
AT LEAST 6 RAIL CARS IN SECURED AREA OF PUNTA GERARDO.

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2300N 08226W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
THIRTEEN VANS AND 7 MISCELLANEOUS VEHICLES OBSERVED.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

25X1A

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AT LEAST 12 VEHICLES OBSERVED IN WOODED AREA.

ARTEMISA MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN THE COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT  
OF THE VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT WHICH  
INCLUDE -- 12 LARGE AND 4 MEDIUM TENTS, 41 PROBABLE  
TANKS/SP GUNS, 2 PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS,  
7 PROBABLE SNAPPERS, 52 PROBABLE 8-WHEELED APC, AT  
LEAST 87 CARGO TRUCKS, 6 UTILITY TRUCKS, 3 VAN TRUCKS,  
ONE PROBABLE BRDM. THE 6- AND 9-GUN AAA SITES REMAIN  
OCCUPIED. THE PARADE GROUND BETWEEN THE BARRACKS IS  
APPARENTLY BEING SURFACED WITH CRUSHED ROCK.

25X1A

LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-FIVE VEHICLES OBSERVED.

BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. SIX TRUCKS  
OBSERVED.

CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08252W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.

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HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2053N 07614W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN VEHICLE COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT  
IN VISIBLE PORTIONS.  
FIFTY-NINE LARGE, 19 MEDIUM, AND 73 SMALL TENTS  
OBSERVED. THE 6-AND 9-GUN AAA SITES ARE COMPLETELY  
CLOUD-COVERED.

REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2227N 07934W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN COUNT OR DEPLOYMENT OF VEHICLES.  
THE 20 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED 27 FEB 63 PARKED AT THE  
SERVICE AREA ADJACENT TO THE MOTOR PARK HAVE RETURNED  
TO THEIR ORIGINAL POSITIONS. EIGHT LARGE, 4 MEDIUM,  
AND 2 SMALL TENTS VISIBLE. SIX-GUN AAA SITE REMAINS  
OCCUPIED.

MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08212W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.

HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE.

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

25X1D CAMP CONTAINS 26 LARGE, 9 MEDIUM, AND 15 SMALL TENTS,  
12 TANKS/SP GUNS, 2 UNIDENTIFIED TRACKED VEHICLES,  
2 PROBABLE FROG MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 25 CARGO TRUCKS,  
4 UTILITY TRUCKS, 4 PROBABLE POL TRUCKS, 4 VAN TRUCKS,  
AND 7 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.

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SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

25X1D NO ACTIVITY OR VEHICLES OBSERVED.

TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W

25X1D REFORMATORY PROPER -- 8 VAN TRUCKS AND 23 LARGE, 8 MEDIUM, AND 2 SMALL TENTS. MOTOR PARK AND BILLETING AREA 0.3 NM SOUTH -- 10 LARGE AND 17 MEDIUM TENTS. NO APPARENT CHANGE IN VEHICLE COUNT. MOTOR PARK 0.7 NM SSW -- AT LEAST 66 VAN TRUCKS OBSERVED. THE REMAINDER OF THE EQUIPMENT APPEARS UNCHANGED. MOTOR PARK 0.9 NM SE -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN VEHICLE COUNT. THE AAA SITE 1.5 NM SSE OF THE REFORMATORY IS UNOCCUPIED. SIX GUNS REMAIN PARKED IN THE AREA. TWELVE CARGO TRUCKS AND TEN PRIME MOVERS VISIBLE NEARBY.

SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

25X1D AT LEAST 9 TANKS/SP GUNS, 29 FLAT-BED TRAILERS (23 WITH PRIME MOVERS), ONE LONG LOWBOY TRAILER WITH PRIME MOVER, AND AN ESTIMATED 350 ADDITIONAL VEHICLES OBSERVED.

PURIO, MILITARY AREA 2233N 07952W

25X1D

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

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NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

25X1D

TWENTY-EIGHT VEHICLES (18 ARE PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS).  
ACCESS ROAD BEING IMPROVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1A

25X1D

GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N 08203W

NO APPARENT CHANGE.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

CAMPO FLORIDA, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

FIFTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 7 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

BAJURAYABO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2308N 08210W

APPROXIMATELY 20 VEHICLES OBSERVED.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

NUMEROUS VEHICLES AND FA PIECES.  
OBLIQUITY AND SMALL SCALE PRECLUDE FURTHER  
INTERPRETATION.

[REDACTED]

25X1D

HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08218W

AREA 1 -- AT LEAST 10 TANKS/SP GUNS.  
AREA 2 -- 10 VEHICLES.  
AREA 3 -- 25 CANVAS-COVERED TANKS/SP GUNS AND AT  
LEAST 5 OTHER VEHICLES.

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SPECIAL AREA ALPHA 2258N 08227W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE 2250N 08233W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED 2254N 08231W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA VICTOR 2300N 08234W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

SPECIAL AREA TANGO 2258N 08244W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.


TARARA LANDING BEACH 2310N 08212W

25X1D NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.


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GUANAJAY AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2257N 08244W  
25X1D APPROXIMATELY 30 VEHICLES.  



-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W 25X1A  
25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AT LEAST 50 VEHICLES OBSERVED.  


MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W  
25X1D NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. TWO VEHICLES  
OBSERVED.  


BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W 25X1D  
25X1D APPROXIMATELY 35 TRUCKS OBSERVED IN THE VEHICLE PARK.  


SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2224N 07953W 25X1A  
25X1D NO VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT VISIBLE. 25X1D  


LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION 2301N 08245W  
25X1D CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES.  


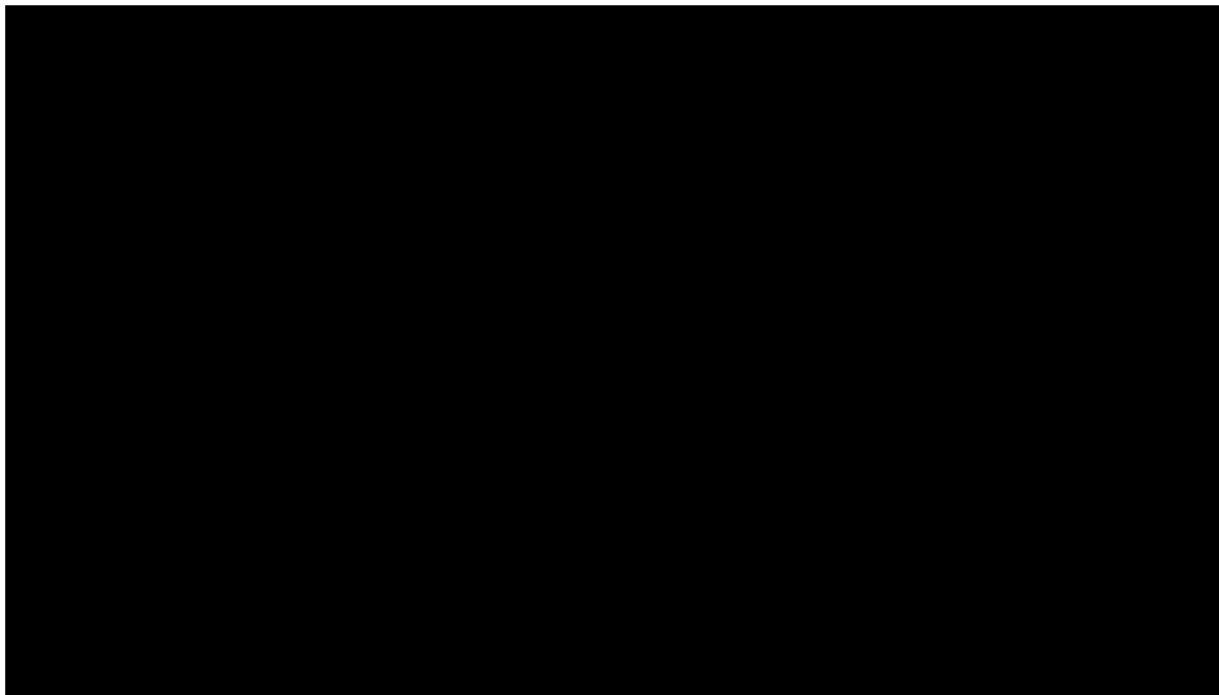
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EL CALVARIO, MUNITIONS STORAGE 2303N 08220W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NO VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D



-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED,  
BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE  
GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE  
CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD  
LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION

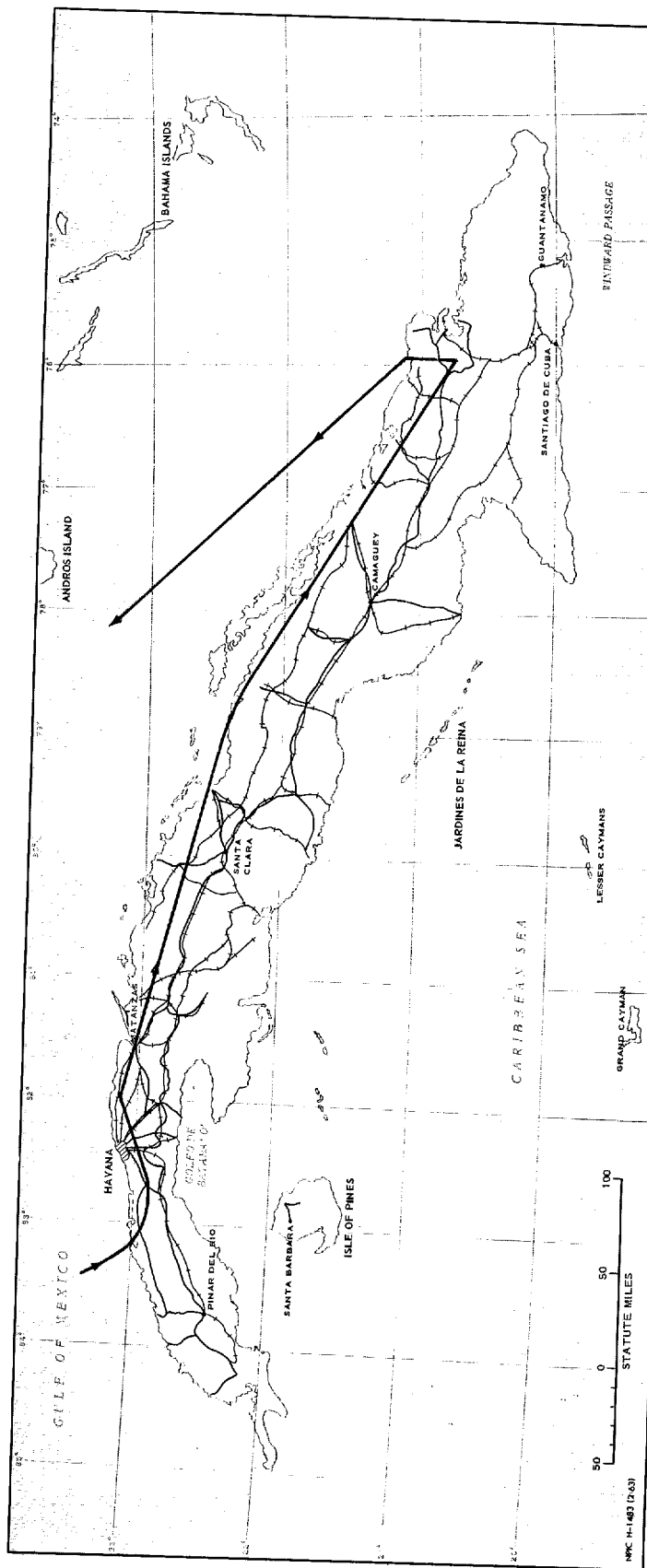
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